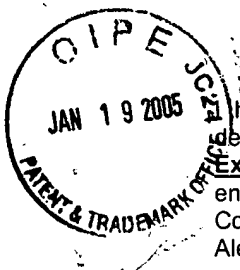


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Serial No. 10/036,798

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For: MANUAL INPUT DEVICE WHICH
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PLURAL MODES OF OPERATION
FEELING, AND CAR MOUNTED
APPARATUS CONTROLLER BASED
THEREON

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 CFR § 1.114)

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Applicant requests continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114.

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